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TAGS: PINT, IT
SUBJ: INTERIOR MINISTER COSSIGA SUGGESTS FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT
IN RECENT DISORDERS

IN AN INTERVIEW ON POLITICAL TERRORISM GIVEN TO THE LEFTIST
LEANING DAILY /LA REPUBBLICA/ AND PUBLISHED ONMAY 26,
INTERIOR MINISTER COSSIGA MADE THE FOLLOWING RESPONSES TO
QUESTIONS ABOUT ALLEGATIONS OF SUPPORT FOR EXTREMIST ELEMENTS
IN ITALY BY FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES:

Q. BOTH ZACCAGNINI AND BERLINGUER RECENTLY MENTIONED THE
POSSIBILITY THAT THESE ORGANIZATIONS (BRIGATE ROSSE) MAY BE
LED OR SUPPORTED BY FOREIGN SECRET SERVICES. WHAT IS YOUR
OPINION IN THIS CONNECTION?

A. I THINK THAT IT IS A VERY LIKELY ASSUMPTION.

Q. ONLY AN ASSUMPTION? (YOU SAY THAT...) ZACCAGNINI AND
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BERLINGUER WENT THAT FAR ONLY ON THE BASIS OF AN ASSUMPTION?

A. LET US SAY THAT WE HAVE ELEMENTS TO FORMULATE THIS ASSUM-
TION. GET ME RIGHT. I AM NOT IN A POSITION TO ESTABLISH WHAT
ROLE FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES PLAY IN THESE CASES; I
WOULD SAY THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN AN ESSENTIAL ROLE SINCE THE
GUERRILLA GROUPS CAME TO LIFE BY SPONTANEOUS GERMINATION. THE

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES MAY HAVE SUPPORTED THEM, THEY
MAY HAVE INFILTRATED THEM.GARDNER

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